General Offense Information

REFER TO OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT
Reported on: **Mar-30-2026 (Mon.) 1137**
Occurred on: **Mar-30-2026 (Mon.) 1137**
Approved on: **Mar-30-2026 (Mon.)** by: **316945 - HARRIS, MOLLY C**
Report submitted by: **330706 - AUSTIN, JEANEA**
Org unit: **PATROL/DIST1/TEAM03**
Address: **1569 N LIMA ST**
Municipality: **AURORA** County: **ADAMS**
District: **1** Beat: **2** Grid: **4C4**
Felony/Misdemeanor: **MISDEMEANOR**
Special study: **NOT APPLICABLE**
Gang involvement: **NO GANG INVOLVEMENT/MOTIVATION**
Family violence: **No**

Offenses (Completed/Attempted)

Offense: # **1 7630-0 ANIMAL BITE HOME - COMPLETED**
Location: **RESIDENCE/HOME**
Offender suspected of using: **NOT APPLICABLE**
Bias: **NONE (NO BIAS)**

Related Event(s)

CP **66495**

Related Person(s)

1. VICTIM # 1 - CIFUENTES-PEREZ, HILDA LORENA

Sex: **Female**
Race: **WHITE**
Date of Birth: **Jun-29-1970**
Address: **1569 LIMA ST** Apartment: **A**
Municipality: **AURORA**, **COLORADO 800102503**

Particulars

Ethnicity: **HISPANIC OR LATINO**
Height: **5'04** Weight: **140** lbs.
Eye color: **BROWN**
Hair color: **BROWN**

Linkage factors

Resident status : **RESIDENT**
Victim of :
7630- 0 ANIMAL BITE HOME - COMPLETED

2. OFFEND/SUSP # 1 - REYES, VANESSA ANN

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Sex: **Female**
Race: **WHITE**
Date of Birth: **Jun-30-1992**
Address: **1575 N LIMA ST** Apartment: **B**
Municipality: **AURORA**, **COLORADO 800121516**

Phone Numbers
CELLULAR: **(720) 257-3624**

Particulars

Ethnicity: **NON-HISPANIC**
Height: **5'00** Weight: **130** lbs.
Eye color: **BROWN**
Hair color: **BROWN**

Linkage factors

Resident status : **RESIDENT**

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Narrative Text

Type NARRATIVE/REMARKS
Author 330706 - AUSTIN, JEANEA
Related Date Mar-30-2026 14:18

On March 30, 2026, at approximately 1140 hours, I, Officer Austin was dispatched to 1569 North Lima Street, in the City of Aurora, County of Adams, and State of Colorado, for a report of an animal attack.

The reporting party advised dispatch personnel that there was a female getting attacked by six dogs.

I arrived on scene at approximately 1142 hours, where I observed a female lying face down in the backyard of the dispatched address. As the female was on the ground, I observed two black dogs that appeared to be pitbulls, running around in the backyard. The female on the ground was identified by a Colorado DMV photograph as Lorena Cifuentes (DOB:06-30-1970). There was another female who stated she was the dog's owner, who was identified by a Colorado DMV photograph as Vanessa Reyes (DOB:06-30-1992).

Vanessa stated she unable to get her dogs into her residence because she was locked out. Animal control arrived on scene and was able to assist Vanessa with two leashes. As Vanessa was trying to get her dogs on the leash, I went to Lorena and tried to put a torniquet on her right leg. I observed Lorena's right calf was torn apart and possibly hanging by a tendon. Lorena's left calf up to the back of knee had several lacerations from the dog bites. Lorena also suffered from several more dog bites on both of her arms, and her face.

Aurora Fire and Falck was able to get Lorena out of the backyard and transport her to UC Health.

Vanessa finally gained control of her dogs, and they were put into the animal services vehicle.

Vanessa stated around 1130 hours, she had arrived at home from the store after getting her dogs food. Once she returned home, she let three of her dogs outside to use the bathroom.
Vanessa observed Lorena outside in the backyard walking around. Vanessa stated Lorena was antagonizing the dogs because she kept walking around the backyard from one corner to the next.
Vanessa then heard screaming from the backyard and observed her dog's attacking Lorena.
Vanessa repeatedly stated that her dogs had never attacked anyone prior to this incident, and it was Lorena who caused the dogs to attack her.

Animal control charged Vanessa and issued her a summons. Vanessa had a total of six dogs, three big dogs, and three puppies. Each dog was taken by animal control and taken back to the shelter.

I went to UC Health to try to talk to Lorena, but she was already in the operating room. An SBI will be filled out later on by a doctor.

This report will be inactive, and for informational purposes only.

My body worn camera was active.

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Follow Up Report # AP 1

Assignment Information

Assigned to: **316945 - HARRIS, MOLLY C** Rank:
Capacity: **OTHER** Org unit: **PATROL/DIST1/TEAM04**
Assigned on: **Mar-30-2026 (Mon.) 2245** by: **316945 - HARRIS, MOLLY C**
Report due on: **Mar-30-2026 (Mon.)**

Submission Information

Submitted on: **Mar-30-2026 (Mon.) 1521**
Approved on: **Mar-30-2026 (Mon.)** by: **316953 - RODIER, KEVIN MICHAEL**

Follow Up Conclusion

Follow Up concluded: **Yes**

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Narrative Text

Type SUPPLEMENTAL
Subject SUPERVISOR RESPONSE AND FIRST ON SCENE
Author 316945 - HARRIS, MOLLY C
Related Date Mar-30-2026 14:51

On March 30, 2026, Aurora Police Department (APD) telecommunications center (dispatch) received a call for service related to an animal attack in the area of East 16th Avenue and North Lansing street in the City of Aurora, County of Adams and State of Colorado.

Officers Velez and Thenell checked the area and did not locate the immediate issue.

I, Sergeant Harris, was already in the area due to a previous call occurring at 1475 Macon Street. I was waiting at the south side of the intersection of Lima and Colfax Avenue. A Black male on the north side of the intersection was actively waving me down to come his direction. I drove north on Lima Street and then stopped in front of 1569 Lima Street where numerous people were.

The residence is a duplex with 1569 on the south side and 1575 on the north.

I immediately observed a black or dark Pitbull near a woman in the backyard or gated area of the above duplex. I observed severe injuries to the female's legs who was face down. The Pitbull was still walking around the female. A White female later determined to be the Pitbull owner approached me and said she was locked out of her apartment. I then observed another dark Pitbull walking around, totaling two. I told the owner to put the Pitbul'ls somewhere for temporary safety.

I aired via radio that I needed Aurora Fire Department (AFD) or EMS hot, meaning emergent.

I watched the female on the ground, who was face down and only moving by breathing. Her stomach was rising and falling.

The female dog owner was able to leash the dogs once animal control was on scene and then AFD responded. AFD moved the injured woman, later determined to be Lorena Cifuentes from the ground to the pram. Lorena's left foot completely went the opposite way when they moved her and it was clear the foot was barely attached. She was moved outside of the gated area and to the front of the residence away from dogs while we waited for an ambulance.

I observed the female's injuries as she was now moving her upper half. It was my belief she had passed out initially due to pain and then woke back up as she was moved. The female was missing large portions of her back right calf. She had an injury just below her left knee on top of missing most of her left calf, ankle and front of the foot. It still appeared that the left foot was literally dangling by portions of the leg still attached. Lorena had injuries to both her arms. One was a larger injury to her left arm near her elbow that was roughly a golf ball size. The right arm had numerous scrapes, cuts and open wounds. Lorena's face was completely mauled. Pieces of her forehead and left cheek were missing from her face and she was actively bleeding. Lorena was transported to the hospital.

We remained on scene while animal control worked with the owner to collect all 6 dogs from the residence. The owner claimed to be locked out but a fellow basement neighbor helped her get inside. The owner had a mother Pitbull, 3 small puppies and then the original 2 Pitbull's that appeared to be older than the puppies.

I heard the owner of the dogs tell officers that her purse had been stolen and that was why she was locked out. I told her to deal with getting the dogs out safely and then she could talk to officers about the purse. The female started to say the dogs had never done this before and that she tried to tell the victim that they

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were out but we told her to focus on getting her dogs out safely. Once the dogs were out, I entered the back yard to photograph the scene. I was told there was possibly more dogs from another owner in the basement portion.

Once in the backyard, I could see that the back of the residence was obviously two more apartments in the basement based on numbering. Outside the door was what appeared to be pants that were possibly bloody. There was portions of what appeared to be the victim's body on the ground. There was also suspected blood all over the ground.

I photographed the scene and later uploaded the photos. I left the scene due to a use of force occurring in another location. I was the only supervisor on duty when the use of force occurred.

This concluded my involvement.

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Follow Up Report # AP 2 - NOT COMPLETED

Assignment Information

Assigned to: **301029 - GREEN, MATTHEW R.** Rank: **DETECTIVE**
Capacity: **INVESTIGATE** Org unit: **SPECIAL VICTIMS UNIT**
Assigned on: **Apr-30-2026 (Thu.) 1319** by: **301029 - GREEN, MATTHEW R.**
Report due on: **May-29-2026 (Fri.)**

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Narrative Text

Type INVESTIGATOR'S REPORT
Subject INVESTIGATOR'S REPORT
Author 301029 - GREEN, MATTHEW R.
Related Date Apr-30-2026

04-30-2026

I Agent MR Green(301029) with the Aurora Police Department Special Victims Unit was notified by LT Robertson to review this case, assign it to myself, handle follow up, and file the case into county court.

I read over the case reports from Officer Austin, and SGT Harris. I reviewed related body camera footage. I found that Officers Velez, and Thenell responded to the call with body camera footage, but had not completed reports most likely as they were not primary and the case was handled by animal services. I sent an email to Officers Thenell and Velez requesting they complete reports based upon their involvement. I found that Officer Austin's body camera was started on another call with a different case number prior to her response to this case, but the video included both cases and was categorized under the prior case.

I was informed

I contacted Animal Services and advised I was looking to review the reports and body camera footage from animal services officers.

I was sent the completed report by APO M Schear. See in attachments.

Schear issued Summons #K75773 for
Three counts of 14-5(a) Running at large, the dogs "Sun kiss, Midnight and Rico" were let out of the unit into the
communal area of the property off leash.
Three counts of 14-7(a) Keeping an aggressive, Potentially Dangerous, or Dangerous Animal. The dogs "Sun Kiss,
Midnight, and Rico" attacked a female on the property and caused significant injury that required hours of surgery.
Four counts of 14-11(a) Rabies Inoculation Required, Reyes did not have proof of rabies vaccines for her dogs.
Four counts of 14-41(a) License Required, Reyes did not have proof of a current license for her dogs.
Four counts of 14-42 Spay / Neuter Required, All Reyes dogs are intact.
Schear completed follow up on 04-03-2026 by meeting with the victim Hilda Cifuentes at the hospital.
Schear also completed follow up by obtaining a USB flash drive with video evidence.

I was advised it would take them some time possibly a day to try and get the body camera footage and related digital evidence to me.

I contacted Victim Services advising them of the case to see if they would at least review the case.

I contacted the Aurora City Attorney's office to check on the current status of the muni case, which I was informed the case was currently held over until June 1st to allow time to figure out what is best to be done with the case. I requested to be informed of any further case status changes and details.

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I was advised the victim of the case has had 8 surgeries since the incident date of 03-30-2026, to include having her left leg amputated below the knee. Hilda has another surgery lined up for 05-15-2026 for her left eye, but she is on the verge of losing sight completely in that eye. Hilda had no medical insurance. She previously worked at a laundry mat and cleaned houses which family claims she will not be able to do after the injuries from the incident. The landlord of the duplex has ensured that Hilda will not need to pay rent of April or May so she will not lose her housing that she has lived at for 18 years. The victims family advised they have names of other witnesses to the event along with people who complained to the apartment managers for 2 weeks about the suspects dogs for 2 weeks that the suspect had lived there. They claimed there was a Mexican store across the street that had video showing the incident.

05-01-2026

After review of the case and Colorado Revised Statutes I found the only applicable charge would be 18-9-204.5(3)(c) Unlawful Ownership of a Dangerous Dog which is an M1 due to the serious bodily injury involved. I contacted Adams County Animal Control and confirmed there are no other applicable state charges that would be able to be charged in this case.

I contacted Hilda via telephone with the use of Voiance to advise Hilda of my involvement of the case and that I would be working with the City Attorney's office and the District Attorneys office to make sure the best coarse of action is taken. Hilda advised she an attorney who had further evidence to provide, but she did not have her Attorney's information. I requested she give my information to her attorney so they could reach out to me. Hilda stated she wanted justice for the case as she feels like she lost half her life because of this and she stated she was informed the dogs were already put down. See Supplemental report.

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Follow Up Report # AP 3

Assignment Information

Assigned to: **332617 - THENELL, TUCKER** Rank:
Capacity: **OTHER** Org unit: **PATROL/DIST1/TEAM04**
Assigned on: **May-04-2026 (Mon.) 2117** by: **332617 - THENELL, TUCKER**
Report due on: **May-04-2026 (Mon.)**

Submission Information

Submitted on: **May-04-2026 (Mon.) 1721**
Approved on: **May-04-2026 (Mon.)** by: **316945 - HARRIS, MOLLY C**
Follow Up Conclusion
Follow Up concluded: **Yes**

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Narrative Text

Type SUPPLEMENTAL
Subject COVER OFFICER
Author 332617 - THENELL, TUCKER
Related Date May-04-2026 15:27

On 03/30/2026 at approximately 1140 hours, I, Officer Thenell, was dispatched to 1569 North Lima Street on a report of a dog attack.

While enroute, the exact address of occurrence was unclear. I ended up just north west of the actual incident where I looked over the fence and observed a female in the courtyard of the aforementioned address who was not moving. I also observed two black dogs that appeared to be pitbulls running around the same yard.

When I arrived at the front of the correct address, Aurora Fire personnel and other Officers were already making a plan on how to extract the downed female as the dogs were still loose. We made entry through a chain gate into the backyard where I observed a female who had extreme damage to both her legs. While Fire and Other Officer's rendered aid to the female and prepared her for transport to the hospital, I provided scene security, with my Taser out, directed at the loose dogs. The owner of the dogs was attempting to contain them but did not have leashes ready.

After the patient was safely out of the area, I monitored the backyard while the owner was given leashes from animal control. I returned into the backyard where I observed a blood trail and what appeared to be chunks of the victims legs leading from where she was laying to the basement door of the residence. I remained in that area until the owner was able to get the third pitbull who had attacked from inside the residence into the custody of animal control.

After the owner had secured all three adult dogs, she retrieved a few puppies from the house and gave them to animal control. Myself and other Officer's cleared the residence where the dogs were to ensure there were no other animals or injured people inside.

Nothing further to report, supplemental only.

My body worn camera was activated throughout this incident.

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Clearance Information

Agency: **AURORA PD**
Cleared status: **NOT APPLICABLE - NOT APPLICABLE**
Cleared on: **Mar-30-2026 (Mon.)**
Cleared by Officer 1: **330706 - AUSTIN, JEANEA**
Org Unit: **T3 - PATROL/DIST1/TEAM03**
Complainant/Victim notified: **No**

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